



State of Illinois  
Illinois Department on Aging

**Older Adult Services Advisory Committee  
Executive Committee Meeting**

**Date: July 25, 2011**

**Location: Illinois Department on Aging, 160 N LaSalle, Ste N-700, Chicago,  
One Natural Resources Way, Springfield, and conference call**

**In attendance:**

**Executive Committee Members:**

Darby Anderson, Addus HealthCare (by phone)  
Carol Aronson (by phone)  
Pat Comstock (by phone)  
Myrtle Klauer (by phone)  
Phyllis Mitzen  
Susan Real, family caregiver (by phone)  
Dave Vinkler  
Cathy Weightman-Moore, Catholic Charities Long Term Care Ombudsman Program (by phone)

**Department Representatives:**

Charles Johnson, Illinois Department on Aging  
Paul Stepusin, Illinois Department on Aging  
Bill Bell, Illinois Department of Public Health  
Lora McCurdy, Illinois Department of Health and Family Services  
Rob Kilbury, Illinois Department of Human Services  
Sam Mordka, Illinois Housing Development Authority

**IL Department on Aging staff:**

Sandra Alexander  
Andy Austin  
Janice Cichowlas  
Ross Grove  
Mary Mayes  
Lenore Roth

**Absent:**

Stephanie Altman  
Bill Bell, Illinois Department of Public Health

Terri Harkin, SEIU  
Christopher Laxton  
Dave Lowitzki (for Terri Harkin), SEIU

### **Welcome and Introduction, Director Johnson**

### **Approve minutes, Director Johnson**

Dave Vinkler made a motion to approve the minutes from April 25, 2011. Phyllis Mitzen seconded. Minutes approved.

### **Update from workgroups**

#### **Housing/Access to Community Settings, Sam Mordka**

- Portal is opening; Ross Grove is the rep from IDOA. MFP coordinators will be first to use it. Ross will sign off, then send to Social Serve, and vendor will give user IDs and passwords. Hoping to schedule training dates in August.
- DHS will also begin use portal under MFP first (Division of Mental Health, Rehabilitation Services, and possibly from Developmental Disabilities). Each Department will work independently.
- DHS may have reps soon (transition coordinators not identified yet).
- Phyllis suggested that Sam meet with these reps at least in the beginning. IDOA will be first transitioned onto the Portal.
- Referral forms may be available on the site in the future. The forms are going to be revamped this coming year to make them more user friendly. Feedback comes through the Advisory Board for IL Housing Search.
- Sam will be scheduling workgroup meeting soon.

#### **Access to Community Supports, Susan Real**

- The workgroup met multiple times, reviewing mandates related to development of an inventory and priority service areas.
- The workgroup sees value in strengthening the ESP database.
- Workgroup recommendations are needed by October 1

### **Updates on priority areas**

#### **Department on Aging:**

- Governor's office held cross agency retreat on LTC to develop a vision of how we will work together. Key areas: 1) capacity building, 2) care coordination and client-centered care (single point of entry), 3) IT systems, 4) payment reform (true cost comparison across programs), and 5) prevention of institutionalization.
- ADRC 5-Year Plan was submitted to AoA. The plan furthers CPoE and collaboration efforts, designates the 13 AAAs as the regional planning and implementation bodies for ADRCs. AAAs will include plan for ADRC development into their Area Plans. Emphasis on strengthening the Enhanced Services Program (ESP).

- As part of Options Counseling Grant, IDoA is drafting minimum standards.
- Community Aging Referral Program (CARP). IDoA is developing a memorandum of understanding with CCP providers to offer services to private pay clients at the state rate for in-home services. Eligibility is for persons with asset levels of \$17,500 - \$35,000.
- Sandra indicated that IDoA may submit a proposal to change the due date of the annual OASAC report to address audit findings due to late filing of the report which is due January 1. Dave Vinkler suggested that the report should be submitted before the Governor presents the budget.

**Department of Healthcare and Family Services:**

- Lora McCurdy reported that they scheduled first MFP implementation internal meeting and getting the MFP stakeholder group together soon.

**Department of Public Health: N/A**

**Department of Human Services:**

- Rob reported that DRS is working on MFP, and how to work within the reduced budget.

**Housing & Development Authority:**

- Sam reported that IDHA will roll out “Hardest Hit” program; more than \$400 million for persons behind on mortgage payments due to unemployment.
- Request for applications for capital funds under Build Illinois fund, apps for supportive housing (\$’s allocated from legislature).
- State Department bills will be coming out for ILHousingSearch.
- Announcement on website for 2010 tax credits.

**Department of Insurance: N/A**

**Agenda for full OASAC**

Dave Vinkler will report to Full Committee about the Executive Committee meeting.

Rob Kilbury moved to approve the agenda for the August 8, 2011 OASAC meeting. Carol Aronson seconded. The agenda was approved.

**Adjournment at 2:55 pm.**